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Garcia, Soltero

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF JOHN SCOTT ALEXANDER.

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1 John Scott Alexander, a former state legislator, died on October 14,
2 2007.

3 Born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on September 24, 1936, John Scott Alexander was
4 raised in Texas but came to Tucson when he was seventeen to study political
5 science at the University of Arizona. In 1964, when he was just twenty-eight
6 years old, he was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives. He ably
7 served his constituents in the Tucson area in this capacity and, later was
8 elected as a state Senator. During his legislative service, John Scott
9 Alexander advocated on behalf of various health care issues, and he was
10 instrumental in the passage of the state's open meetings laws. He was
11 honored by the University of Arizona Journalism Department with its Thomas
12 Jefferson Award for his work on the "Sunshine Law".

13 Following his departure from the Legislature in 1974, John Scott
14 Alexander remained active in the political arena, serving as a lobbyist,
15 political consultant and advocate for his Casas Adobes neighborhood. He
16 served as regional director of Blue Cross/Blue Shield in southern Arizona
17 during the early 1980s, and as a lobbyist for the health care industry, the
18 Southern Arizona Travel Parks Association and Angel Charities. John Scott
19 Alexander served as the spokesman for Proposition 103, an effort to restrict
20 monetary awards in lawsuits, and it was through his efforts that statues of
21 Father Eusebio Kino were placed in Tucson, in Magdeleno, Sonora and in
22 Trento, Italy.

23 John Scott Alexander will be greatly missed by his family, associates
24 and friends.

25 Therefore

26 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

27 That the Members of the House of Representatives express regret at the
28 passing of John Scott Alexander and extend their condolences to his surviving
29 family members.